

Defendant Sentenced for Murder, Felon in Possession of a Firearm



Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

Semper Justitia

DATE: August 29, 2022

CASE: Keyshawn Wright (Case #18FE023092)

PROSECUTOR: Principal Criminal Attorney Omar Singh, Homicide Unit

The Honorable Kevin McCormick sentenced Keyshawn Wright to 70 years to life in prison. On June 3, 2022, a jury convicted Wright of the second-degree murder of Alex Smith, and the allegation that Wright personally used a firearm causing death was found true. Wright was also convicted of being a felon in possession of a firearm. The Court found true allegations that Wright has three prior strike convictions for robbery.

The victim was dating a woman that was in a previous relationship with Keyshawn Wright. On November 25, 2018, Wright's associate saw the victim and the woman arrive at her apartment. Soon after, Wright kicked in the apartment door and began to shoot at the victim. The victim suffered a fatal gunshot to his chest. The victim was able to return one round of fire, striking Wright in the forearm. Wright's blood was found leading away from the apartment to the parking lot area. Wright arrived at the hospital minutes later and lied to authorities saying he was shot in another location by an unknown person. The gun used in the murder was never recovered.